



## UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE  
 United States Patent and Trademark Office  
 Address: COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
 P.O. Box 1450  
 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450  
[www.uspto.gov](http://www.uspto.gov)



CONFIRMATION NO. 5124

Bib Data Sheet

SERIAL NUMBER 10/798,175	FILING DATE 03/11/2004 RULE	CLASS 072	GROUP ART UNIT 3725	ATTORNEY DOCKET NO. 18733/00045
-----------------------------	-----------------------------------	--------------	------------------------	---------------------------------------

## APPLICANTS

Akira Tsubouchi, Maebahshi-Shi, JAPAN;

Kiyoshi Okubo, Maebahshi-Shi, JAPAN;  
Yasushi Watanabe, Maebahshi-Shi, JAPAN;

## \*\* CONTINUING DATA \*\*\*\*\*

This application is a DIV of 09/803,560 03/09/2001 PAT 6,845,560

## \*\* FOREIGN APPLICATIONS \*\*\*\*\*

JAPAN 2000-064298 03/09/2000  
JAPAN 2000-114306 04/14/2000  
JAPAN 2000-114502 04/17/2000

## IF REQUIRED, FOREIGN FILING LICENSE GRANTED

\*\* 05/27/2004

Foreign Priority claimed 35 USC 119 (a-d) conditions met	yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> no <input type="checkbox"/>	STATE OR COUNTRY JAPAN	SHEETS DRAWING 14	TOTAL CLAIMS 2	INDEPENDENT CLAIMS 2
Verified and Acknowledged Examiner's Signature	Initials				

## ADDRESS

24731  
 SIDLEY AUSTIN BROWN & WOOD LLP  
 717 NORTH HARWOOD  
 SUITE 3400  
 DALLAS , TX  
 75201

## TITLE

Method for manufacturing a hollow rack shaft

<input type="checkbox"/> All Fees
<input type="checkbox"/> 1.16 Fees ( Filing )